MPO RESOLUTION # 20-05 RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE WALK OUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL DAY ON OCTOBER 5, 2005

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement creating and establishing the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Miami Urbanized Area requires that the MPO provide a structure to evaluate the adequacy of the transportation planning and programming process, and

WHEREAS, the National SAFE KIDS Coalition Walk to School Day Program focuses attention on the many children who walk to school whom are at risk of serious injury or death during their daily commute; and

WHEREAS, in 2002 272 children were injured and 3 were killed in pedestrian crashes in Miami-Dade; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of children could be saved each year nationwide, if every community takes steps to make pedestrian safety a priority by involving parents and schools in examining the routes traveled by these students, that their safety can be improved by: students' pedestrian education, identifying dangers on present routes that can be corrected through municipal action; devising safer alternate routes where possible; and

WHEREAS, children, parents and community leaders in conjunction with public and private schools in Miami-Dade County will be actively involved in this event on Wednesday, October 5th, 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA:

SECTION 1. That the MPO Governing Board endorses the Walk Our Children to School Day on October 5th 2005.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Perla T. Hantman who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Board Member Ruben D. Almaguer, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Chairman Joe A. Martinez-Aye Vice Chairman Dennis C. Moss-Aye

Board Member Ruben D. Almaguer	-Aye	Board Member William H. Kerdyk	-Absent
Board Member Bruno A. Barreiro	-Aye	Board Member Raul L. Martinez	-Absent
Board Member Barbara M. Carey-Shuler-Aye		Board Member Dorrin Rolle	-Aye
Board Member Joe J. Celestin	-Absent	Board Member Natacha Seijas	-Aye
Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz	-Aye	Board Member Darryl K. Sharpton	-Aye
Board Member Shirley M. Gibson	-Aye	Board Member Jose Smith	-Aye
Board Member Carlos A. Gimenez	-Aye	Board Member Katy Sorenson	-Aye
Board Member Perla T. Hantman	-Aye	Board Member Rebeca Sosa	-Absent
Board Member Sally A. Heyman	-Aye	Board Member Javier D. Souto	-Absent
Board Member Barbara J. Jordan	-Aye	Board Member Johnny L. Winton	-Aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 19th day of May, 2005.

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION M.P.O.

By

Jose-Luis Mesa

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MPO Secretariat